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From: David E. Janssen

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MOTION TO SUPPORT H.R. 1813 AND S. 151, THE TORTURE VICTIMS RELIEF REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2003, (ITEM NO. 19, AGENDA OF JUNE 24, 2003)

Item No. 19 on the June 24, 2003 Agenda is a motion by Supervisor Burke that the Board proclaim June 26, 2003 as "UN International Day in Support of Victims of Torture" and support passage of H.R. 1813 (Smith, R-NJ) and S. 854 (Coleman, R-MN), the Torture Victims Relief Reauthorization Act of 2003.

H.R. 1813 and S. 854 are similar bills, which would reauthorize the Domestic Treatment Centers for Victims of Torture, Foreign Treatment Centers for Victims of Torture, and U.S. contributions to the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture for Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2004, 2005, and 2006. Both bills, which were introduced in April 2003, are awaiting committee action in their respective houses.

The bills would have no impact on the County. Because there are no current Board policies relating to this legislation, the motion is a matter for your Board's policy determination.

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c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors County Counsel

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